

*SC NAACP v. Alexander,*  
D.S.C. Case No. 3:21-cv-03302-MGL-TJH-RMG

# **Exhibit 26**

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
3 COLUMBIA DIVISION

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5 THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE  
6 CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP,

7 Plaintiffs,

8 vs.

Civil Action No.

9 3:21-cv-03302-JMC-TJH-RMG

10 THOMAS C. ALEXANDER, et al.,

11 Defendants.

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13 Remote deposition

14 August 12, 2022

15 10:03 a.m.

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18 VIDEOCONFERENCE DEPOSITION of MAURA BAKER,  
19 before Michele Moskowitz, a shorthand reporter  
20 and Notary Public of the State of New York.  
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25 REF: 5365810

1 BAKER

2 able to open. I did not have access to the -- I  
3 did not have on my computer the software that  
4 Will did, so I don't know how it was readily  
5 available to everyone.

6 Q. But you're saying you wouldn't have  
7 been involved in this review?

8 A. I would have seen the e-mail, I would  
9 have seen what a map would have looked like, but  
10 that would have been the extent.

11 Q. To your knowledge, would staff  
12 prepare any reports or analyses on submitted maps  
13 like these?

14 A. Based on documents that you shared, I  
15 think there may have been -- there was a document  
16 that would have broken down different data points  
17 comparing the different maps, but I don't recall  
18 any specifics about that. And I'm specifically  
19 referring to a document that you shared, but I  
20 don't recall in general what -- you know, when  
21 that would have been done.

22 Q. Would maps submitted end up posted on  
23 the Senate redistricting website?

24 MR. TRAYWICK: Object to the form of  
25 the question.

1 BAKER

2 A. To my knowledge, yes.

3 Q. Do you know if all maps that were  
4 submitted would end up on the Senate  
5 redistricting website?

6 A. I believe so. With the caveat that  
7 they were in a format that could be opened, could  
8 be produced. And by produced I mean, you know,  
9 you could actually see a map. I don't know  
10 that if someone submitted something in a  
11 different format, if that was available or not.

12 Q. Thank you. Who actually did the  
13 mechanic type work of posting submissions to the  
14 public website?

15 A. That would be our legislative  
16 services department that would do the actual  
17 posting is my understanding.

18 Q. Would that be Tommy that we spoke  
19 about earlier?

20 A. Tommy, I suppose, could have been one  
21 of the staff that would have done that, but it  
22 would be his office, his department, that -- I'm  
23 not sure how they're organized. They're a  
24 separate office from the Senate and so I don't  
25 know how -- they're in a different building. I